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Avern L. Cohn
 District Judge

Date of Birth: July 23, 1924
 Education: Michigan 1942, 1949 JD
 Began Service: October 9, 1979
 Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter
 Political Affiliation: Democrat

Affiliation: Director, American Judicature Society

Government: Michigan Social Welfare Commission (1963); Michigan Civil Rights Commission (1972-1975); Detroit Board of Police Commissioners (1975-1979)

Legal Practice: Partner, Irwin I. Cohn (1949-1961); Partner, Honigman Miller Schwartz & Cohn (1961-1979)

Military Service: United States Army (1943-1946)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; American Law Institute; Detroit Bar Association; Federal Bar Association; Federal Circuit Bar Association; State Bar of Michigan

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Marianne O. Battani
 District Judge

Date of Birth: 1944
 Education: Detroit 1966 BA; Detroit Law 1972 JD
 Began Service: June 9, 2000
 Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Judicial: Judge, Common Pleas Court (1981); Judge, 36th District Court (1981-1982); Judge, Wayne County Circuit Court (1982-2000)

Chambers of District Judge Marianne O. Battani *continued*

Legal Practice: Associate Attorney, Law Offices of Donald E. Gatrix (1972-1974); Attorney, Law Office of Marianne O. Battani (1974-1981)

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David M. Lawson
 District Judge

Date of Birth: 1951
 Education: Notre Dame 1972 BA; Wayne State 1976 JD
 Began Service: August 4, 2000
 Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable John N. O'Brien, Oakland County Circuit Court (1973-1975); Law Clerk The Honorable James Ryan, Michigan Supreme Court (1976-1977)

Government: Investment Officer, C. Hugh Dohaney, Oakland County Treasurer (1975-1976); Special Assistant Attorney General (1978-1980); Special Prosecuting Attorney, Livingston County (1991-1993)

Legal Practice: Partner, Lawson & Lawson, P.C. (1977-1985); Partner, Lizza, Mulcahy, Casey & Lawson, P.C. (1985-1994); Member, Clark Hill R.L.C. (1994-2000)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; Criminal Defense Attorneys of Michigan; Detroit Bar Association; Federal Bar Association; Oakland County Bar Association

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John Feikens
 Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1917
 Education: Calvin Col 1938 BA; Michigan 1941 JD
 Began Service: December 14, 1970
 Appointed By: President Richard M. Nixon
 Political Affiliation: Republican

Judicial: Interim Judge, United States District Court (1960-1961)

Chambers of Senior Judge John Feikens *continued*

Legal Practice: Partner, Feikens, Dice, Sweeney, & Sullivan (1942-1960); Partner, Feikens, Dice, Sweeney, & Sullivan (1962-1970)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; American College of Trial Lawyers; Committee of Visitors of the University of Michigan Law School; Detroit Bar Association; Federal Bar Association; Michigan Bar Association; State Bar of Michigan

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Julian Abele Cook, Jr.
 Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1930
 Education: Penn State 1952 BA; Georgetown 1957 JD; Virginia 1988 LLM
 Began Service: September 23, 1978
 Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

Academic: Adjunct Professor, University of Detroit Law School (1971-1974)

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Arthur E. Moore (1957-1958)

Government: Special Assistant Attorney General, State of Michigan (1968-1978)

Judicial: Instructor, United States Department of Justice Trial Advocacy Program (1989-1990)

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1958-1978); General Counsel, Station WTVS Public TV (1973-1978)

Military Service: United States Army (1952-1954)

Nonprofit: Labor Arbitrator, American Arbitration Association and Michigan Employment Relations Commission (1975-1978)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; American Bar Foundation; American Inn of Court Chapter XI; American Law Institute; Federal Bar Association; Georgetown University Law Center Board of Visitors; Michigan Association of Black Judges; Michigan Bar Association; Michigan Bar Foundation; NAACP; Sixth Circuit Committee on Standard Jury Instructions; Sixth Circuit Judicial Council; State Bar of Michigan; Wolverine Bar Association

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Anna Diggs Taylor
 Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1932
 Education: Barnard 1954 BA; Yale 1957 LLB
 Began Service: 1979
 Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

Academic: Adjunct Professor, Labor Law, Wayne State University Law School (1976)

Government: Attorney, Office of the Solicitor, Department of Labor (1957-1960); Assistant Prosecutor, State of Michigan (1961-1962); Assistant United States Attorney, Eastern District of Michigan, Department of Justice (1966); Detroit Office Manager and Legislative Assistant to Congressman Diggs (1970); Assistant Corporation Counsel (1975-1979)

Legal Practice: Partner, Zwerdling, Maurer, Diggs & Papp (1970-1975)

Current Memberships: Federal Bar Association; Federal Judicial Center Committee on District Judge Education; Joint Steering Committee of the Gender and Racial-Ethnic Fairness Task Forces for the Sixth Circuit; National Lawyer's Guild; State Bar of Michigan; Wolverine Bar Association; Women Lawyers Association of Michigan; Sixth Circuit Standing Committee on the Judicial Conference; Michigan Association of Black Judges; Yale Law School Association

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George E. Woods
 Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1923
 Education: Detroit Law 1949 JD
 Began Service: November 16, 1983
 Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Government: Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, County of Oakland, Michigan (1951-1952); Chief Assistant United States Attorney, Eastern District of Michigan, Department of Justice (1954-1960); United States Attorney, Eastern District of Michigan, Department of Justice (1960-1961); Chief Special Prosecutor, Wayne County Special Grand Jury (1965-1966)

Judicial: Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Michigan (1981-1983)

Legal Practice: Honigman, Miller, Schwartz & Cohn (1961-1962)

Military Service: United States Army (1943-1946)

Current Memberships: American College of Trial Lawyers; Federal Bar Association; International Academy of Trial Lawyers; State Bar of Michigan